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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 127902

U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) New U.S. National Stage of PCT/JP2004/016305

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2004/016305			INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE November 4, 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED November 17, 2003						
TITLE OF INVENTION FURNACE AND DEGREASING METHOD										
APPLICANTS FOR DO/EO/US Shigeru HANZAWA; Yoshitaka TABUCHI; Takashi YASUE; Shinzo HAYASHI										
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:										
1.	$\boxtimes$	This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.								
2.		This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.								
3.	⊠	This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.								
4.	$\boxtimes$	The US has been elected (Article 31).								
5.	$\boxtimes$	A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))								
		. 🛛 is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).								
•	•.	b.  has been communicated by the International Bureau.								
	•	c.  is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).								
6.	-🛛	An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))								
	a. 🗵 is attached hereto.									
	b.  has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).									
		c.								
7.		Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))								
		a.   are attached hereto (require	are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).							
		b.  have been communicated by	e been communicated by the International Bureau.							
		c.  have not been made; however	☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.							
		d.	ve not been made and will not be made.							
8.		An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).								
9.	$\boxtimes$	An oath or declaration of the inventors (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).								
10.		An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).								
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:										
11.	$\boxtimes$	An Information Disclosure Stateme	nt under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.							
12.	$\boxtimes$	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.								
13.	$\boxtimes$	A preliminary amendment.								
14.	$\boxtimes$	An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.								
15.		A substitute specification.								
16.	$\boxtimes$	A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.								
17.		A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.								
18.		A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).								
19.		A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).								
20.	$\boxtimes$		ittal of Power of Attorney and State ched to the Information Disclosure	ement Under 37 CFR § 3.73(b); a copy of the Statement.						

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21.  The following fees		CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY							
BASIC NATIONAL FEE (3	\$ 300.00									
SEARCH FEE (37 CFR 1.4	l92(b)(1)-(3)):			\$ 400.00						
International preliminary examination report or written opinion prepared by the USPTO as IPEA or ISA and favorable as to novelty, inventive step, and industrial applicability for all claims presented in the application entering the national stage										
International search fee (37										
International search report the search fee is paid										
All situations not provided t										
<b>EXAMINATION FEE (37 C</b>	\$ 200.00									
International preliminary examination report or written opinion prepared by the USPTO as IPEA or ISA and favorable as to novelty, inventive step, and industrial applicability for all claims presented in the application entering the national stage										
All situations not provided t	for above		\$ 200.00							
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CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	\$						
TOTAL CLAIMS	19 - 20	= 0	x 50.00 =	\$						
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4 - 3	= 1	x 200.00 = + 360.00 =	\$ 200.00						
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT		\$ \$1100.00								
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$1100.00  Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are \$										
reduced by 1/2.		\$1100.00								
Processing fee of \$130.00 the earliest claimed priority	for furnishing the Eng date (37 CFR 1.492)	\$								
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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property + TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = \$1100.00										
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b. Please charge my Deposit Account No in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.										
c.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>15-0461</u> . A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.										
d. Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.										
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.  SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:										
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